

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

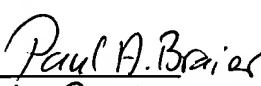
Applicants express appreciation for the courtesies extended by the Examiner to Applicants' representative Arnold Turk during telephone calls on December 21 and 22, 2005. During these telephone calls, the Examiner indicated that amendment of composition claims 2, 3, 4, 6 and 20, and method claims 25 and 32 would be entered, when presented in the an amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312, to add "a hydrate thereof" in a similar manner to the allowed compound claims.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request entry of the present amendment in conformance with the above-noted telephone calls.

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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